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To: [Gehrig, Greg](#)
Cc: [Morris, James](#)
Subject: RE: Didion NOV/FOV update
Date: Tuesday, March 26, 2019 8:56:01 AM

Greg:

Wonderful.

Thanks!

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Hi Jon Micah,

Do you want to provide this to Patrick:

As mentioned in paragraph 30 of the NOV/FOV, EPA used the *Handbook of Chemical Hazard Analysis Procedures* (attached), and, in particular, equation B 8 in Appendix B.3, to determine acetaldehyde emissions. I observed 3 types of components venting from the top of the fermentors/beer well: pressure relief/conservation vents (PRCVs), agitators, and manway seals. Typically, we don't provide our actual calculations (i.e. the Excel spreadsheet), but I assumed that 5 PRCVs, 5 agitators and 8 manway seals were venting with the following aperture dimensions:

- PRCVs – 6.5" radius (i.e. 13" diameter CV plate stuck open), 1/8" aperture;
- Agitators – 2.25" radius (i.e. from a 4.5" shaft), 1/8" aperture;
- Manway seals – 12" by 1/8" on average.

Other assumptions include:

- Concentration of acetaldehyde is 125 ppm, which is typical for industry since no sampling data for Didion was available.
- 0.5 psi (or 14 inches of water) pressure above atmospheric in the fermenters.
- The gas released is mostly CO₂, which has the same molecular weight as acetaldehyde (44) with the ratio of specific heats (air to CO₂) at 1.289.
- The process is in operation 95% of the time.

Thanks,

Greg

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Greg:

Patrick is requesting the inputs and calculation information for the case as well.

What can we provide on that front?

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Thanks Jon: I will verify the time with our attendees. In addition to the FLIR info, we really need to see all the details regarding EPA's emissions estimate that is included in the NOV, including all inputs and all calculations. The sooner we could get them the better.

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Patrick:

Thanks for your patience on this. After talking with Greg and Jim, the afternoon of Wednesday, April 24, works best for the NOV/FOV conference. Say 1:00 pm Central Time? We can provide

information about parking, transportation, or getting through our security screen here in Region 5. I will also send out a separate calendar invite for the meeting.

As far as the tool used to determine fugitive emissions, Greg directed me to [this](#) optical gas imaging (OGI) camera. Please let us know if you have any further questions.

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